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**FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **SCANNING MAGNETISM DETECTOR AND PROBE**, the specification of which



is attached hereto.



was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as United States Patent Application No. or PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application

Priority Claimed

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Yes  No

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NONE.

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